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District and Sessions Judge in the Agency division.

586 Q.—Sriman Sasibhushan Rath Mahasayo: Will the hon, the Home Member be pleased to state—

- (1) the number and description of suits instituted during 1921-22 in the Court of the Agency Commissioner which had to be transferred to the District Courts of the adjoining districts by reason of their "involving important issues and interests of considerable magnitude";
- (2) the amount of judicial work done by the Agency Commissioner during the year 1921-22;
- (3) whether it is a fact that the Local Government at the time of applying for sanction for the post of the Judicial Assistant Commissioner promised that no new posts would be created;
- (4) if so, the circumstances that led to the creation of the post of District and Sessions Judge in the Agency division within one year of such promise; and
- (5) whether the necessary senction for the appointment of a District and Sessions Judge has been obtained and when it is likely to have the new office opened?
 - A.—(1) None in 1921. Information for 1922 is not available.
 - (2) The hon. Member is referred to the answer to clauses (1), (2) and (5) of question No. 496.
 - (3) & (4) No.
 - (5) The matter is under correspondence with the Government of India.

Sriman Sasibhushan Raih Mahasayo:—"Will the present Judicial Assistant Commissioner's place be retained?"

The hon. Mr. A. R. KNAPP:—"I do not think, Sir, it is contemplated at present, but if any reason is brought forward for doing so, it will be considered."

Grant of land to the daffadar, Berhampur taluk office.

587 Q.—Sriman Sasibhushan Rath Mahasayo: With reference to my question No. 248 (b), (c), (d) asked at the meeting of 14th September last, regarding grant of land to the daffadar, Berhampur taluk office, will the hon, the Member for Revenue be pleased to call for the required information?

A.—The Government do not consider that any useful purpose will be

Grant of land to Bombay merchant in Aska taluk, Ganjām.

588 Q.—Sriman Sasibhushan Rath Mahasayo: With reference to my question No. 304, dated 16th September 1922, regarding grant of land to Bombay merchant in Aska taluk, Ganjām, will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to call for the necessary information?

A.—The Government do not consider that any useful purpose will be served by calling for the information.